

# State of North Carolina



MICHAEL F. EASLEY  
GOVERNOR

**DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY**

2006

**BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA**

## **A PROCLAMATION**

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. was a great moral leader who espoused peace and the brotherhood of man; and

WHEREAS, Dr. King worked for equality for all people and the establishment of the "The Beloved Community" worldwide; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., admonished us to have faith, wisdom and conviction that racial harmony can be achieved and left us a blueprint for harmonious relationships; therefore, let us embrace his principles of love, peace and nonviolence as well as freedom and justice for all; and

WHEREAS, the Congress and the President of the United States have established by law a national holiday to observe the anniversary of Dr. King's birth; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina has established the third Monday in January as a legal holiday in honor of his birth;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MICHAEL F. EASLEY, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby designate January 16, 2006, as "**DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY**" throughout North Carolina. I urge all citizens to avail themselves of the splendid opportunity to remember and celebrate the life of Dr. King, whose struggle for civil rights and the noble pursuit of equality for all Americans deserves our heartfelt appreciation.



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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this twelfth day of December in the year of our Lord two thousand and five, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirtieth.